GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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IOCL LPG Pipeline
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) proposes to lay the nation's longest LPG pipeline to cater to the growing demand of cooking gas;
(b) if so, the details thereof; and
(c) whether the demand of LPG has increased in the recent year and is expected to increase at much steeper rate in the coming year and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to meet the demand which is expected to rise by 10 million tonnes per annum by 2031-32?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)
(a) & (b): The Expression of Interest for the Indian Oil Corporation's project for construction of a LPG pipeline from Kandla to Gorakhpur was submitted to Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB). As per the revised pipeline configuration by PNGRB, length of the pipeline is about 2650 km at an estimated cost of about Rs.6500 crore. The capacity of the pipeline is 6 MMTPA. PNGRB has now invited the bids for the pipeline.
(c): The details of consumption of LPG since 2013-14 are as under:-
2013-14
2014-15
2015-16
Apr-16-Feb 17
16294 TMT
18000 TMT
19623 TMT
19666 TMT
It is expected that the LPG consumption will increase due to increase in LPG penetration in rural areas. The LPG demand is likely to reach above 35000 TMT by 2031-32.
Oil PSUs undertake refining projects for additional production of LPG. After utilizing domestic production, LPG is imported to cater to demand, as per demand/supply scenario.
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